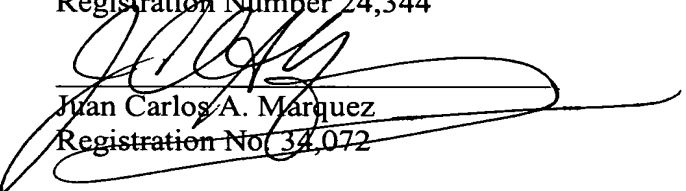




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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 25, 2005, the shortened period of response to which is set to expire on December 25, 2005. Applicants hereby elect the continuing prosecution of Group I: Claims 1-9 and 18-19 without traverse.